

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

[0007] Memory ~~402~~ 103 stores sender instructions 104 that are adapted to be executed by processor 102 to perform at least part of the method in accordance with an embodiment of the present invention. For example, sender instructions 104 can provide a sender Graphical User Interface (GUI) to a user at sender 101, through which the user can identify electronic content (e.g., a file of any type, including software, music, audio, video, etc.) to transfer to a recipient, and specify a transfer parameter, e.g., mandate that the transferred file be persistently written only to a CD at the recipient; mandate that the transferred file cannot be further copied from the memory device on which it is to be stored at the recipient; etc. Such transfer parameters can be communicated to a server 106 by “sending instructions” that can be generated by sender instructions 104 and sent from the sender 101 to the server 106. Sender instructions 104 can cause the selected content itself to be sent through network 105 to server 106.

[0009] Server 106 can include a processor 107 coupled to memory 108, which stores processing instructions 109. Processing instructions 109 can be executed by processor ~~408~~ 107 to perform at least part of the method in accordance with an embodiment of the present invention. For example, processing instructions 109 can send a message to recipient 110 through network 105, where the message announces to a user at recipient 110 that content sent from sender 101 can be downloaded by recipient 110, e.g., by selecting a link included in the message.

[0031] The sending user may also specify a digital rights management control 303 that mandates that no more than a given number of copies may be made of the file from the second memory device. In this embodiment, the recipient instructions 113 can mandate that a copy may only be made if permission is provided by instructions 113 executing on processor 111, and maintain a counter that is incremented each time a copy is authorized. When the counter reaches the given number, no further authorizations to copy are granted.